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Left to right: Melissa Haglund, Lori Bernard, and Melissa Phelan, winners of the Voice of Democracy Contest.

MILLBURY. Winners of the local Voice of Democracy contest sponsored by the Charles F. Minney Post Local 3329 of the V.F.W. were announced on December 3 as follows: Lori Bernard, daughter of Margaret Bernard of Prospect Street, 1st place; Melissa Phelan, daughter of Richard and Mary Phelan of Laurel Drive, 2nd place; and Melissa Haglund, daughter of Shirley and Steve Haglund of North Main Street, 3rd place. All three winners are students at Millbury Memorial High School. The winners recorded their essays at the Holy Cross College radio room.

The Millbury Sutton Chronicle will be printing the winning essays in their entirety. Today's essay is by 1st place winner Lori Bernard. All essays were written on the theme "The Challenge of American Citenzship".

BY LORI BERNARD

"Being an American Citizen is an honor of which many peoples of other nations can only dream. However, many of the people living in our country usually forget how lucky they are. Most people pick out the things in our country that they feel are ruining our society, and complain and criticize without ever trying to better the situation with a solution. I feel the way to keep our nation strong is to volunteer our services to a cause, whether that cause be big or small, to help pull all our people together to fight for a better way. The American people are strong and determined and know distinctly right from wrong, but may need the constant reminder that their services are the cornerstone of the founding and maintaining of the proud and powerful country we call America. I feel the reminder our nation needs is the famous quote by our thirty-fifth President, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, that we should, "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country."

"Many people feel issues, such as drug and alcohol abuse, pollution, illiteracy, child abuse and crime, are major flaws in our society. If only these people would check out all the many wonderful groups that are available to help solve the very few problems our country has compared to a communist country with little government or representation of the people. I feel the many groups such as S.A.D.D. are doing wonderful work along with its members to help people become aware of the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. Pollution problems have been helped greatly by commercials and "clean-up" campaigns that count directly on the audience's response. Illiteracy, child abuse, and crime all have been prevented through caring people who can notice what is happening around them and then have the compassion not to turn their backs on these people who desperately need their help.

"Our country is a great one - one that cares for its people and all of their problems. It is a strong nation that calls for its people to unite equally as one in times of trouble. Unlike other countries it is

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SOLID WA[illegible]MMITTEE ADDRESSES C[illegible]S OF VOTERS

"The Town won't be spending much more than we are now with just the landfill."

On Tuesday, December 4, the Solid Waste Committee for the Town of Millbury presented a report to the Finance Committee. The purpose of the Committee, which was appointed by the Selectmen after the 1986 Annual Town Meeting, was to investigate the most feasible manner to dispose of solid waste in the Town. The Committee's recommendation, after more than seven months of intensive study and deliberation, was that Millbury should construct a Transfer station on the site of the present Landfill on Riverlin Street. The Solid Waste Committee was made up of Richard Dwinell, Chairman; George D'Auteuil, Peter Boria, Judy Taft, Kevin Barrett, Joseph Sullivan, and Roland Lachance.

Dwinell, in an interview, explained that in 1984 a sum was appropriated for a survey by an engineering firm to recommend to the Town different alternatives to solid waste disposal when the landfill closes. The task was given to the Board of Health who hired S.E.A. to do the survey. It was completed in 1984 and a master plan and recommendation recommended that the town construct a transfer station to be built on the landfill site.

The Board of Health inserted an Article on the Town Warrant of the May Annual Town Meeting, asking for $85,000 to procure plans and specifications to go out to bid for the transfer station. The Article was defeated at the meeting. According to Dwinell, this left the Town back to where it started in 1984.

At the same meeting, an article was submitted seeking formation of a committee to study the solid waste disposal problem. This article was passed. The Committee was chosen and began meeting in the middle of the summer. Dwinell explained that the Committee is made up of representatives from each precinct and that the composition of the committee, as it turned out, is truly representative of the constituency. Each member is a homeowner and sensitive to the costs of the alternatives. In addition, Dwinell, in his former capacity as a Representative, had been Chairman of the Committee on Natural Resources to which the Bureau of Solid Waste answered. Consequently, he had some familiarity with the waste disposal problem statewide, and has remained current with the problem in that he still receives manuals and reports from the Bureau of Solid Waste.

George D'Auteuil, a long time resident of Millbury and owner of a waste removal business, brought professional expertise to the deliberations.

Peter Boria, owner of Route 146 Supply, expressed the concerns of the business community.

Roland Lachance, representing the Board of Selectmen, offered a political perspective, and other members of the committee contributed viewpoints that gave the committee a fullness of expression.

The committee met bi-weekly for the first four meetings then weekly thereafter. A decision was made at the first meeting to defer any decision as to what course would be chosen until all materials had been carefully studied and evaluated. The members of the Committee were given the material accumulated and scrutinized it independently on their own time and at meetings. After several weeks, they took a formal vote and unanimously decided in favor of a transfer station.

"What's interesting," said Dwinell, "is that everyone gave the same reasons for their decision. First, the Committee wanted to address 100% of the solid waste generated by the Town -residential, business, and industrial. Statistics generated by our investigation showed that curbside pick-up addressed only 30-40% of the solid waste generated.

"Secondly, we felt that a transfer station would be more convenient in that it would provide access on a five day a week basis in deference to curbside which would be only on one specified day a week.

"Thirdly, curbside was very limited in scope and dealt pretty much with household waste.

"In investigating the financial aspects of both, it was determined

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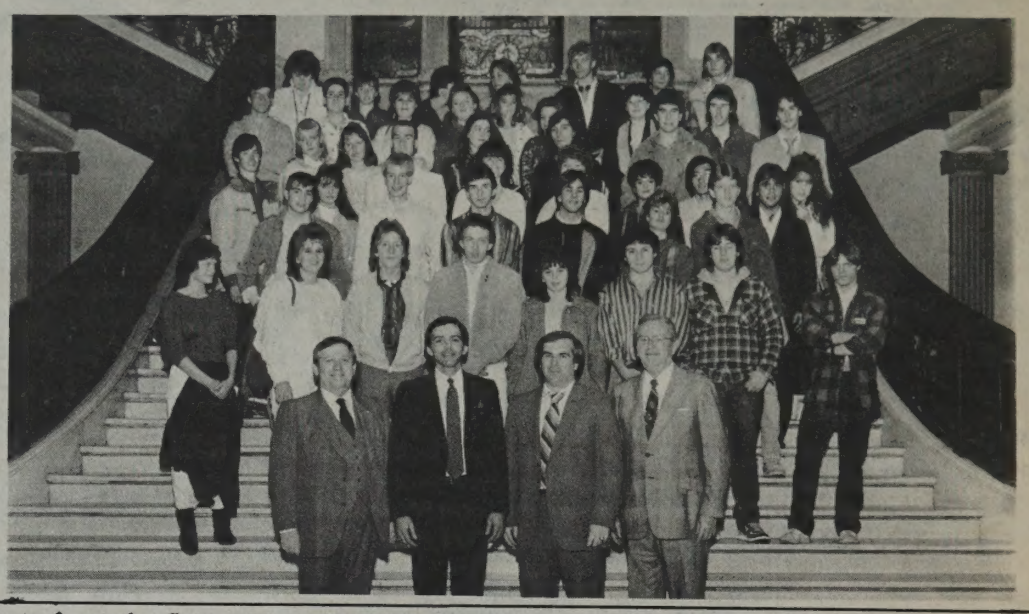
SUTTON STUDENTS VISIT STATE HOUSE



Students from the Sutton Memorial High School visited the Massachusetts State House recently as guests of Rep. Richard T. Moore (D-Uxbridge) and Rep. John R. Driscoll (R-Northbridge). They were accompanied by their teacher, David Muradian.

SHAW MIDDLE SCHOOL CHORUS TO PERFORM AT AUBURN MALL

MILLBURY. The 6th and 7th grade chorus from the Raymond E. Shaw Memorial Middle School will be performing at the Auburn Mall on Saturday, December 13, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The chorus will be conducted by Mr. Michael Nagy, who will be assisted by Mrs. Karen Canali.

The students will be performing in conjunction with the U.S. Marines' "Toys for Tots".

MILLBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY RECEIVES $10,000 GRANT

MILLBURY. Representative Paul Kollios (D-Millbury) has announced that the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners has awarded the Millbury Public Library a grant in the amount of $10,000.

Funds for this grant were made possible by a line item in the FY '87 state budget, specifically for local public libraries. The grants will be used for a variety of purposes, with an emphasis on improving library service. The Millbury Public Library grant is entitled, "Adult and Young Adult Collection Development."

Representative Kollios stated, "Public libraries are one of the most important resources a community has. These funds will help improve this resource and provide an even greater public service."

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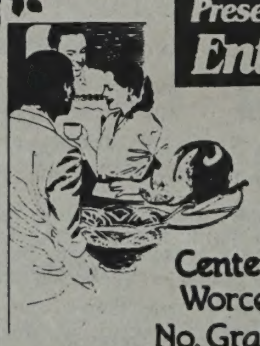
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MILLBURY SELECTMEN'S MEETING DIGEST

By Edward J. Cooney

DECEMBER 2, 1986

Members present: Chairman Wynton Adams, Jude Cristo, and Donald Gauthier. Absent: John Donnelly and Roland Lachance.

- Chairman Adams informed the Board that a meeting of the Lewcott Chemical Task Force will be held on December 11 at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room, with area legislators and state and local agencies, relative to the status of Lewcott Chemical.

- Adams suggested that appropriate steps be taken to dispose of the model of the initial mock-up of the Signal RESCO plant. He noted that it was not appropriate to keep it on display. "It is time to dispose of it."

Selectman Jude Cristo suggested that the model might have some use in the science classes in the schools, even though it was not a true representation of the present facility. Adams considered the idea appropriate and Cristo's suggestion will be explored.

- Under Old Business, Adams stated that the Transfer Station item would be discussed at a joint meeting at 8:00 p.m. tonight, with the Finance Committee and other Town Departments.

- The Board was told that the Resource Recovery Plant was coming along fine; the generators are on their way.

- Next, Earl chase, administrative assistant, informed the Board that no further word had come from the Army Corps of Engineers concerning the Blackstone River Dredging Project.

- He also noted that the dog kennel design is in progress and should be ready soon.

- Adams expressed the Board's concerns relative to the water level at Ramshorn Pond. It was noted that the water level is not coming up too fast.

- Cristo discussed the possibility of placing a "For Sale" sign on the old Providence Street School.

- The Youth Activities Task Force has been formed and members have been appointed. Those designated by the Board to serve as a Committee are: Mary Clark, Tom Dunford, Karen Dion, Judy Taft, Sue Ryan, Richard Lamontagne, and Michael O'Leary. The Task Force Committee will meet with the Selectmen at a future date to discuss the nature and purpose of this Committee, and also the areas with which it will be concerned.

- The Board briefly discussed a request for the installation of additional lights on Stowe Road. This was a request made previously by homeowner Joseph Oliveri. The Board decided to consult with the Safety Officer and to ask for a study by Mass. Electric.

- Chase then informed the Board that the Director of the Council on Aging had indicated that the Council was not pleased with the Selectmen's recent appointment of Joseph Sullivan as a replacement for Frank Piscitelli on the Council on Aging Board. In a letter to the Board, the Council stated that they had hoped that they would have been consulted prior to the appointment. They also indicated that there were other names, on the list, of people who had volunteered to serve.

- Next, the Selectmen approved, by a 3-0 vote, a request for a street opening on Stone Road by Tom Stratford.

- Chase reported that there had been no communication from the District Nursing Association. Their request for additional space at the Asa Waters Mansion had been discussed two weeks ago at a meeting with representatives of the Association.

- Cristo informed the Board that the Lions Club was to appear before the School Committee to discuss a project that they would like to develop at Windle Field. He then asked the Chairman if "Ron Darling Day" was still on and still scheduled to be held at Windle Field on Opening Day. Adams stated that the Board had already decided to go ahead with that plan. Cristo stated that the Lions Club was planning a "Testimonial Dinner" for Ron Darling, prior to the Little League Season since he would not be available at the opening of the Little League season.

- Adams inquired about the status of the parking lot in the downtown area. Chase stated that grant funding possibilities looked good. Documentation and applications have to be developed prior to applying for available state funding through grant money. "Hopefully the Highway Department can get a base coat on the new parking area before Winter and then apply a final coat in the Spring," said Adams.

- At this point in the meeting, Adams took notice that there were members of the press in the audience. He noted that the Selectmen had

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To the Editor:

In regard to your article in the November 25th issue on the School Committee meeting, I would like to focus on a statement made about the maintenance at Windle Field. It was stated that committee members expressed dissatisfaction with said maintenance.

As current President of the Millbury Men's Softball League I feel I must express my feelings that Windle Field has never been taken care of any better than it has recently.

While I don't disagree with Mr. Morin of the Parks Department that his men are better equipped and more qualified to handle a situation of this type, I think it is unfair to criticize the current worker(s).

The job that was done at Windle Field the week following the July 4th Carnival bordered on the heroic as the field was virtually unplayable for any type of sport when those people pulled out. I wonder if the School Committee members who made the above statement witnessed this destruction and subsequent excellent repair job.

No group or organization in this town feels about Windle Field the way we in the Men's Softball League do, and no group or organization has done more in the past 20 years to make Windle Field the fine facility it is today than we have. If the Parks Department wishes to apply their expertise at Windle Field then I say "Go for it"! Any and all improvements are more than welcome, but I don't think it should be blamed on alleged poor maintenance in the past.

Chuck Vassar President, Millbury Men's Softball League

THE GIFT OF LOVE

By Karen Potter

This is the second segment of a story, written by Karen Potter, which recalls a period in her life when an entire community bonded together in a gesture of selflessness, bringing support and love to one of its neighbors at a time when it was most needed.

We will be carrying the remaining two segments of Karen's story in the next two issues of our paper.

As a man, my father is the perfect combination of intelligence, humor, compassion and justice. And as a result of my ten year run of bad luck, heartbreaking divorce, raising Matt by myself, parentally as well as financially, and jobs that didn't work out, he has developed a fierce posture of rectitude where I am concerned. It wasn't enough that my property had been destroyed, but now I had to face my parents with another kick in my proverbial trousers. From his perspective, I had been abused by unthinking anonymous vandals and he was enraged at my misfortune.

He could see that I had been crying and all of my efforts to coherently explain what had happened, dissolved in another flood of hysterical tears. Just as he should have, he folded me in his arms, and rocking us gently told me that it was an awful thing but that it would be OK. Then he took me by the shoulders, sat me down, handed me the box of tissues and, for the millionth time in my life, paternally told me to blow my nose.

Together, we discussed the impact of the fire and the practicality of the situation. "You will use my car, starting today. Next week we start car shopping, but in the meanwhile we'll have to figure out how much you'll need to pay off the loan on your car and buy a replacement."

I wish I could find the words to tell my Dad how lucky I feel to be his daughter. It isn't that he has the wherewithal to help in the tough spots I've found myself in through the years. More than that. It's because he is the kind of man who will help - without your even asking - anytime - anywhere.

After Matt returned safely from his canoe trip, the next week passed very slowly. Each day I expected the police to report that they had caught the guilty party. But instead, what unfolded was an ugly collection of stories from my neighbors of vandalism or destruction, all occurring on that same terrible night. A barn was nearly burned down, gas pumps and fuel oil tanks were victims of firecrackers, a glass door was shattered by a large rock and remnants of firecrackers were found on the steps of the Police Station. Folks would shake their heads in sympathy with my bad luck adding, "At least you weren't the only target - it looks like it wasn't direct at you personally." What could be more personal? I felt robbed and violated. The most valuable material possession I had was now totally worthless. I had been completely wiped out financially and my faith and trust in humanity had been shaken to its very core.

Monday evening, eleven days later, I was no closer to solving my transportation problems. Returning from a quick dinner, in a borrowed car, I was driving past our church. A small cluster of people was gathered in the parking lot. I joked with Matt who was riding beside me, "Look Matt, there's a group that's up to no good!" No sooner were the words out of my mouth when Reverend Andrew Bierkan broke away and, racing towards the car, flagged me down.

Now, when your Minister, at a dead run, chases after you until you pull over, it can only mean one of two things: Either he heard me cursing the rotten luck I believed God had sent me the week before, or he wanted to reassure me that everything was going to be allright. Somehow, my mind couldn't put his urgency together with reassurance so I figured I was in trouble for the cursing part (not an unusual occurrence).

I certainly didn't expect what he had to say. "I called your boss and he's going to give you two vacation days. I called your parents and they'll take Matt. So you don't have any excuses for saying 'no'," he rattled off in one breath. Whatever this was, it was going to be a biggie - vacation days AND babysitters? He continued, "We have an opening for an advisor on the Senior High Youth Fellowship retreat and we want you to come with us. We won't be coming home 'till Monday, but I've made arrangements for you to get a ride home on Sunday afternoon so you can be in for work on Monday. Will you come?"

This fellow really knows how to do his job! He caught me when my resistance was at its lowest with the most tempting offer (fellowship and fun) and had answered all the objections I might voice before I could even collect my thoughts. What could I say? Staring dumbly, I nodded my head in agreement. A four day trip to include white-water rafting in Maine and retreating with a terrific group of young people was just what the doctor ordered. The trip to the headwaters of the Kennebec River was an all day affair with a stop in Freeport to visit the outlet stores and world famous L.L. Beans.

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MILLBURY FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETS WITH SOLID WASTE ADVISORY BOARD

By Edward J. Cooney

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Shortly after 8:00 p.m., Finance Committee Chairman Gerald Bleau called the meeting to order. The Chair explained that the purpose of the meeting was to meet with the Solid Waste Advisory Committee and other Town Department representatives, to discuss the present findings of the Advisory Committee.

Chairman Bleau introduced Richard Dwinell, Chairman of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. Chairman Dwinell stated, "The Committee is here tonight to present our case for a Transfer Station. The people would bring solid waste to the Transfer Station to be hauled to Signal RESCO." Dwinell went on to explain that in the beginning the Committee had been meeting every two weeks, but changed to every week in order to analyze and scrutinize reams of material.

The Committee was established under Article 4 at the Town meeting after an Article for Engineering Studies was defeated. "Seven members were appointed to investigate the feasibility of ways to dispose of solid waste once the landfill closes," said Dwinell. "All of the Committee is in favor of a Transfer Station. At the time of the appointments, only two members expressed their views in favor of a Transfer Station. The other five never indicated their views one way or another. After the fourth meeting, the Committee voted 7-0 for a Transfer Station." He continued, "There was no arm twisting to go one way or another."

Dwinell went on to explain that the Committee turned down curbside pick-up mainly because that type of operation would only generate refuse of 35-40% of the Town's solid waste. The Committee is in favor of 100% disposal of all solid waste in the Town. Curbside pick-up would only handle residential refuse. The Town has an arrangement with Signal RESCO to dispose of 240 tons per week for 20 years. There would be no tipping fee. We would pay nothing.

According to Dwinell, the Town would monitor refuse disposal through the Transfer Station. It would include industrial, commercial, and all residential solid waste. Tonnage would be recorded at Signal RESCO for up to 240 tons per week. The tipping fee (charge) at present is $25-30 per ton for others.

"It is extremely important to monitor the amount of trash," said Dwinell. He went on to explain that Grafton is to spend $85,000 for curb-side (limited pick-up) during 1985-86. In 86-87, the cost will escalate to $185,000. In West Boylston, with 6,000 people, the first year will cost $89,000 and after five years, escalate to $109,000. Curb-side in West Boylston is limited and people are saying that it is a disaster. Only 35-50% is picked up by curb-side.

At this point, Dwinell turned the presentation over to George D'Auteuil, a member of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. D'Auteuil stated that the figures to be used are those available to the Committee from an S.E.A. study done in a survey in 1984. "These are pretty precise figures," said D'Auteuil. He noted that in building a transfer station on the present site, site work would have to be done to move the present refuse. He presented the following figures: The landfill operation has spent in the range of $48,000 - $200,000 per year, over the last 16 years, for an average of $121,324.12. If you drop the garbage, the average comes to $90,958.50 over the 16 year period.

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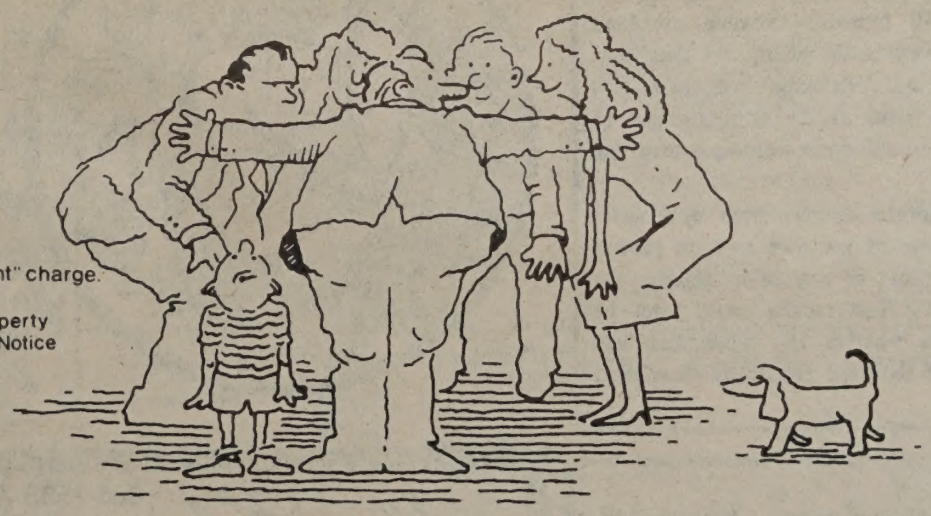

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PLANNING BOARD BEGINS SUBDIVISION STUDY

By Karen Potter

SUTTON. The Sutton Planning Board met at 8:00 p.m. on December 1, to hold a public hearing. Attending were Theresa McCullough, Craig Ferrell and Chairman, Mary K. Connor; absent were Herman Vanderwart and John Ritchie. More than 40 interested people attended this hearing to learn about and express their concerns about a definitive site plan for a 48-lot subdivision to be known as Pine Ridge. This development is proposed for property located between Dodge Hill Road and Stone School Road.

Representing developer Frank Noel, Jr., David Lavallee of Lavallee Brothers described the site plan on display. The half-acre lots are to be arranged in roughly three connected loops of roadway with a cul-de-sac on each end. Access to Pine Ridge would be from both Stone School Road and Dodge Hill Road.

A special feature of this development is that two water detention systems will be located on-site in order to accommodate increased water run-off anticipated by pavement, house roofs, and landscaping. These basins were designed by engineers to accommodate what is known as the 100 year storm, which is considered to be approximately 6" of rainfall during a 24 hour period. The purpose would be to gather water before it cascades off the site, and to slow its flow so that it can be better accommodated by the natural water conduits of the geography (eg. brooks and streams). The basins will be fenced for the protection of the public and, when the project is completed, will become the responsibility of the Town of Sutton.

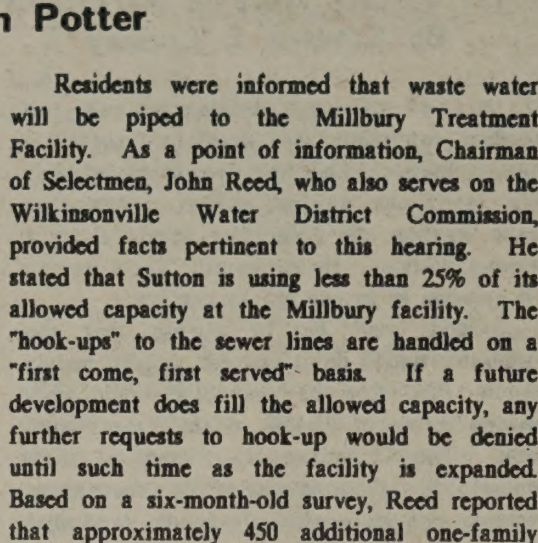
An abutter, Larry Moore, questioned LaVallee as to whether the detention basins, designed to slow the flow of surface water, will effect the level and or the quality of area residents' well water. Richard Cox, the consulting engineer for the Planning Board, answered that surface water and ground water generally do not have anything to do with one another. It is his opinion that there would be no appreciable change due to this proposal. He further stated his belief that controlling the surface water will improve flooding problems and swollen streams with which the neighbors now have to contend. His major concern at this time is that the basin at the northerly end of the development would drain onto and over the property line.

Answering Moore's concern over well water levels, Noel offered, at his own cost, to protest Moore's well and that of any other abutter, for level and quality. Test results could later be used to determine whether the subdivision had adversely affected the well supply of those near the subdivision.

Residents were informed that waste water will be piped to the Millbury Treatment Facility. As a point of information, Chairman of Selectmen, John Reed, who also serves on the Wilkinsonville Water District Commission, provided facts pertinent to this hearing. He stated that Sutton is using less than 25% of its allowed capacity at the Millbury facility. The "hook-ups" to the sewer lines are handled on a "first come, first served" basis. If a future development does fill the allowed capacity, any further requests to hook-up would be denied until such time as the facility is expanded. Based on a six-month-old survey, Reed reported that approximately 450 additional one-family dwellings will fill Sutton's quota. He reminded listeners that the subdivision contractor bears the full cost of expansion for the connection to existing water and sewer lines.

Vehicular traffic was another area of grave concern to area property owners. Lorraine Konisky of Dudley Lane inquired as to whether the Planning Board had yet taken a definitive stand with regard to the number of intersections, and their locations, which would be required to access Pine Ridge. Chairman Connor replied that although no official determination has yet been made, the Planning Board will make sure that lawful distances between intersections are maintained. She stated that undoubtedly, most, if not all, of the surrounding roads will have to be upgraded.

The Public Hearing was adjourned, giving abutters the opportunity to more closely examine the subdivision maps posted along the wall of the room. Future hearings will be held to discuss Pine Ridge. "We have a lot to look at here," said Connor, who explained that the Planning Board has 90 days to decide on a definitive time plan before requesting an extension for further study.



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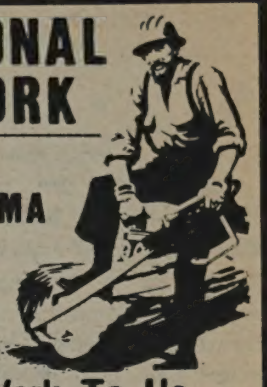

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Based on 1984 cost estimates, with a 3% increase per year over 20 years, with only residential, the cost would be $3,764,400 or an average of $188,000 per year. Adding a 10 year loan for equipment and 20 year loan for building, the total would come to $4,788,331 including a 3% yearly increase. Over 20 years the average cost per year would be $239,401.

Municipal curbside pick-up, starting at a base figure of $136,000 with a 6% escalation increase per year, would cost $5,303,000 over a 20 year period for an average of $265,000. "Millbury is in a unique situation. The best feasible financial situation for the Town is a total transfer station operation," said D'Auteuil.

Bleau said that he became more confused the more he read this survey.

Dwinell assured the Finance Committee that they had the latest state report and that he would zerox his copy for the rest of the Committee.

D'Auteuil showed the Finance Committee pictures of a transfer station built in Acton. He noted that it would be different in that Millbury's would be smaller. He stated that the building cost $400,000 and site work, done by Town employees, was estimated at $150,000.

A member of the Finance Committee asked if they had consulted with anyone else besides S.E.A. He noted that the engineering costs didn't "fly well at the Town Meeting."

D'Auteuil replied that S.E.A. was the most experienced and has worked with the D.E.Q.E. "There were five bids for engineers," said D'Auteuil. "The highest and lowest bids were dropped because they would not provide us with the right type of information that we would need. S.E.A.'s bid was in the middle at $7,000 and it was chosen. They have a good track record. Time is short....We have two years to make this up....Eighteen months to completion if we start now."

Planning Board member, Anna Lewandowski, noted that the $80,000-$85,000 for engineering costs had been turned down by the Town.

Dwinell responded by indicating that the Committee plans to present an article at a special town meeting sometime in January. It would include engineering and construction costs all in one article.

Another member of the Finance Committee stated that they were disappointed that there were no cost estimates available from any other firms, and that it would be difficult to convince the town.

Dwinell responded that the Committee was using all the figures available. "We have spent over 1,000 hours of work and study on this. You can be critical if you want to be. We have only six months to work on this and to report back to the town." He went on to say, "We have been working on this every week for the past six weeks - two to three hours per meeting. I have been on a lot of committees over the years and I have never seen a more dedicated Committee."

One member of the Finance Committee then asked why there were not many figures available. Dwinell replied,, "This is a new industry in this area. Who do we go to?"

The Finance Committee asked, "Didn't Signal RESCO give you a list?"

Dwinell replied, "We have figures from towns that have contracted with Signal REsco. Grafton is $750,000. Millbury will pay nothing. We are taking $600,000 to $1,000,000 from Signal RESCO. If we can't afford $200,000 we had better pull our charter out."

Bleau stated that his committee has no problem with the transfer station. "We endorse the present concept. We need further figures. What figures are available from other towns?"

Frank Piscitelli, Chairman of the Board of Health, then spoke. "What are you trying to ask? You are asking the same questions you asked us before. In 1984 we did a survey. The company did a good job. Be gracious enough to tell the Committee what you want."

Bleau responded that the Committee is concerned with "fiscal responsibility" for the town of Millbury. "It would not be fiscally responsible to expend $1,000,000. We are in a quest for knowledge. There are still unanswered questions. We are only trying to perform our duties."

Selectman Jude Cristo stated, "We don't know which is better. We have only two choices. What do we know about municipal pick-up? You can't control costs. But with a transfer station you can monitor and control costs.

A brief discussion followed concerning figures derived from several local trash haulers. D'Auteuil indicated that his Committee got their figures from the same haulers. "We are in a critical time...We can't put this off until the landfill closes...This is not a threat....One way or an other we have to have total service....Financially, this is the better of the two choices."

He also explained the anticipated costs of 100% municipal curbside pick-up.

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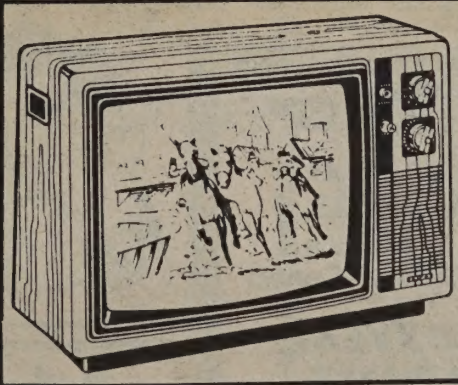

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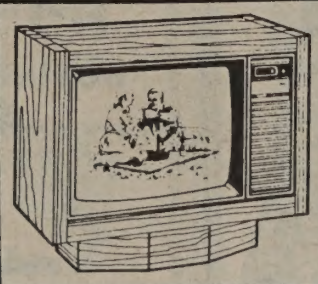

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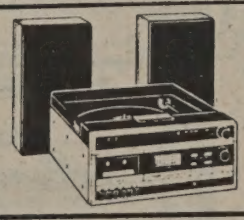

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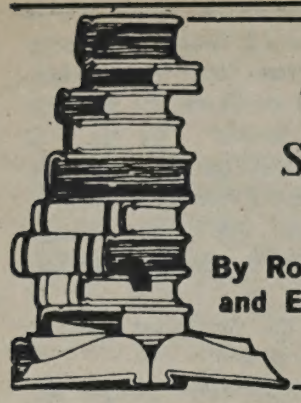

ON THE SHELF

By Rosemary Waltos and Elaine Loehman

Auntie Flo's Gift Giving List from the Millbury Public Library

AUNTIE FLO

Every year on Christmas
there's a gift from Auntie Flo,
she sent me pairs of underwear
for three years in a row.
I wish she sent a picture book*,
or even a big stuffed bear,
I'd take a box of stones or rocks
But please no underwear!

By Jack Prelutsky *with apologies to Mr. Prelutsky for the paraphrase.

Auntie Flo needs a little direction in her gift giving - here are some suggestions:

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

The ultimate holiday picture book is The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsberg, winner of the 1985 Caldecott Award. On Christmas Eve a young boy travels on a mysterious train to the North Pole. The boy receives a silver sleigh bell from Santa Claus as "the first gift of Christmas". But the bell can only be heard by those who truly believe in Santa. The dreamlike illustrations are so evocative you can almost feel the chill of the wintry night. This is a book to share year after year.

I also wanted to include some never-fail picture books. The classics that are handed down through a family.

Blueberries for Sal by Robert McClosky. While blueberrying one day, Sal mistakes a bear for her mother and mom mistakes a bear cub for Sal.

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle. A wonderful book that not only teaches the days of the week and the numbers from one to six, but also shows the caterpillar eating through a variety of fruits and coming out the other side of each fruit on the next page.

Easy-to-read books are for those children just learning to read. I'll just mention a couple of my favorites.

If you want a book with a holiday theme, try It's Christmas by Jack Prelutsky. This is a collection of humorous poems from Christmas cards mailed without stamps to the least favorite gifts from relatives, as quoted above.

Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel. A series of humorous tales in chapter form describing the warm relationship between a responsible frog and an emotional toad. Also in the series, Days with Frog and Toad, and Frog and Toad All Year long.

Now for the older crowd (grades 3-6). I find that paperbacks are as popular with this group (easy to carry) as they are with me. I can give two or three paperbacks for the price of one hardcover.

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever by Barbara Robinson is my favorite holiday read aloud. In fact, I'm reading parts of it on December 6 and 20 during our "Saturday Storybreak". The horrible Herdmans have taken over the Christmas pageant and it looks like it's going to be a circus.

I also like the idea of giving books in a series to this age group. I find that once the first book is read and the reader becomes involved with the characters, he/she feels obligated to complete the set. Three classic series are:

The Little House by Laura Ingalls Wilder. I'm sure this one needs no introduction.

The Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis, which follows a set of sisters and brothers through their adventures in another world, called Narnia.

A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle. A brother and sister attempt to free their scientist father who is being held prisoner on a distant planet. Other books in the set include A Swiftly Tilting Planet, and A Wind in the Door.

The Prydain Cycle by Lloyd Alexander recounts the adventures of Taran, assistant pig keeper, as he battles the forces of evil and saves the kingdom of Prydain.

If none of the above interests you, feel free to ask our staff for assistance. There are several reference books in the collection listing quality books by age and interest. In any case, have a happy holiday, hopefully sharing books with others.

BOOKS FOR TEENS

There are so many good books for teens we decided to list as many as we could fit in this small space. We've also tried to briefly describe each book. Since teenagers tell us that they prefer reading paperback books, all the books on this list are available in paperback.

FICTION

What's Wrong with Daddy by Alida E. Young. A story of a young girl who must face her father's illness and imminent death.

Ice Castles by Leonare Fisher. Alix Winston has a dream of becoming a champion figure skater. Here she faces the conflict of young love and the desire for achievement that comes through the dedication of hard work.

The Outsider by S.E. Hinton. A story of being young, of wanting and needing to belong. This is sure to hook your teenager on the reading habit.

Banner in the Sky by James Ramsey Ulman. This is a Newberry Honor Book. It's a story of a young man's challenge to climb the mountain called the Cidel. New York Times describes this as a "superb mountain climbing story" for teens and adults alike.

Building Blocks by Cynthia Voight. In Brann's attempt to understand his father, he is transported back to the time and place of his father's youth.

NON-FICTION

Junior Weight Training and Strength Training by Jim Smith. This book presents a healthy approach to weight training for both boys and girls. Emphasis here is on minimizing risks and maximizing potential.

Basketball's Magnificent Bird by Frederick Lynn Corn. The story of Boston Celtic's Larry Bird. Tells of his rise to become one of today's most respected and outstanding NBA players.

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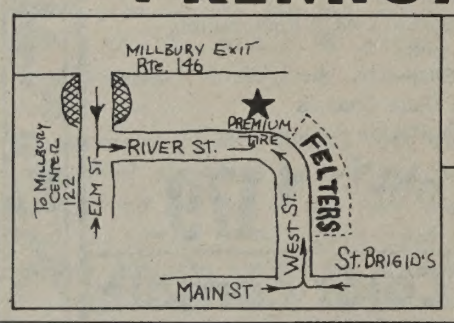

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Hulkmania: the Official Biography of Hulk Hogan. A fan book with lots of pictures. This is a fun book that will be sure to appeal to even the most reluctant teen reader on your list.

"The Refrigerator" and the Monster of the Midway by William Perry and The Chicago Bears by Brian Hewitt. Chicago Sun-Times Football writer Brian Hewitt writes about last years football stars and other NFL legends such as "Papa Bear" Halas, Bronko Nagurski, and Dick Butkus.

ADULT BOOKS

What's Bred in the Bone by Robertson Davies - $6.95. A national bestseller in 1986 written by one of Canada's finest storytellers. This is a story of Francis Cornish's life growing up as a"rich kid" in a small town in the Canadian wilderness before World War II, and the spiral of his life after he leaves the home of his youth. Told with Davies' unique sense of humor and insight, this story finds the reader involved with Cornish's work as a spy during the War and his part in a major art heist from Nazi Germany, which later leads him to be considered one of the most respected figures of the international art world. This is a great book, written by a master. This one's for readers on your list with discriminating taste.

Funny Sauce by Delia Ephron - $14.95. This book just came out and is still in hardcover. It's a funny book! It's about family life in the 1980's. Ephron sees the 1980's family as an extended family, but not quite the extended family that we all reminisce about. Ephron's extended family encompasses "your ex-husband or wife, your ex's new mates, your new mate, possibly your new mate's ex, and any new mate your new mate's ex has acquired". This book is made up of twenty-one hilarious and endearing stories that anyone, no matter what their family circumstances, will smile about and laugh out loud over.

Accidental Tourist by Ann Tyler - $4.50. What a terrific book this is. It came out in 1985, but was just released a short while ago in paperback. Anne Tyler is also the author of the critically acclaimed book, Dinner at Homesick Restaurant. In Accidental Tourist, Tyler tells the story of Macon Leary. "Macon is someone who himself travels through life accidentally. Things just happen to him...only Anne Tyler - with her instinct for getting at the wonderful, irrational underside of human nature - could make the education of Macon Leary so irresistible." You won't go wrong with giving this to the fiction lover on your Christmas list.

Lessons: An Autobiography by An Wang with Eugene Linden - $15.95. The newest of the CEO biographies to be published. This is as much an autobiography of a successful entrepreneur, as it is about managing a business. Wang himself presents his story as a case study for students and other business people, but its more than that. Without trying, its a story of growth and development of the computer industry and an interesting and refreshing CEO story. "Lessons" deserves the attention of a broad, general readership.

Jane Fonda's New Workout and Weight Loss Program by Jane Fonda - $17.95. This is the latest of Jane Fonda's workout books. As in her other book, Fonda explains the benefits of aerobic exercise and outlines beginner's and advanced exercise programs. Exercises are all illustrated and clearly explained step-by-step. Also in this book, Fonda elaborates on diet and eating right. She provides a realistic approach to losing and maintaining weight. A good gift for the reluctant exerciser.

REP. MOORE ATTENDS WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

UXBRIDGE. Rep. Richard T. Moore (D-Uxbridge) joined over three hundred legislative leaders to participate in the December meeting of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) State Federal Assembly (SFA) last week in Washington, D.C.

The NCSL State-Federal Assembly serves as a forum for discussion among its individual state members, identifies issues of critical concern, and informs legislators of developments in state-federal relations. The SFA meets three times each year, in addition to the NCSL annual meetings, to consider state-federal matters which have a significant impact on state legislative actions, and to formulate policy recommendations for approval by the Conference.

These policy resolutions form the basis of NCSL state-federal relation efforts. They provide guidance to SFA members testifying before Congress or federal agency hearings and in meetings with federal officials. The policies also guide state legislators and NCSL staff in lobbying Congress, the White House and federal executive agencies. NCSL policies are also given public forum in Conference publications and at seminars designed to increase understanding of state-federal issues. Further, NCSL uses policy resolutions as the basis for formulation of coalitions with other state and local government organizations to present a united front in advancing common interests.

During the Conference, Rep. Moore participated in a seminar on Federalism, which included an address by former Virginia Governor and possible Presidential candidate Charles Robb and also one on the "Impact of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1986". He also participated in a meeting of the Assembly's Government Operations Committee which discussed a report of NCSL's Task Force on State-Local Relations.

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BOSTON. Edward Wilczynski of the Millbury School Committee has been appointed to serve as a member of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC) Legislative Committee. Members of this committee review and recommend positions on proposed legislation relating to school committees.

Mr. Wilczynski is an 11-year member of the Millbury School Committee and currently serves as vice chair. He has served two years on the Legislative Committee.

MASC is an organization that serves school committees throughout the Commonwealth.

HEALTH FAIR RESULTS ANNOUNCED

MILLBURY. The District Nursing Society, serving Millbury, Sutton, and neighboring communities has announced some of the results from the Health Fair held last Spring. Twenty seven tests for colon cancer were done and there were no referrals needed.

There were 31 follow up calls on the diabetes testing. One referral was made and that person was attended by a physician.

In the screening for hypertension, three people were to be rechecked at a Blood Pressure Clinic, four were referred to physicians, and one was already being treated by a physician.

The importance of these various screenings cannot be stressed enough. When the next Health Fair is held, it is hoped that more people will take advantage of the free opportunity for health care.

AUDIO–VISUAL LICENSING COURSE

MILLBURY. An Audio-Visual Licensing Course will be held on three consecutive Wednesday afternoons, beginning December 10th. Young people in grades three and up will learn to operate a filmstrip viewer, a record player, a cassette tape player, and a VCR. On completion of the course, those passing a test will be "licensed" to use the equipment in the Library. As we update and enlarge our collection of A.V. software an A.V. license will be the key to new library resources. To take advantage of this opportunity, please register as soon as possible. Course size is limited. Call the Millbury Public Library at 865-1181.

JESSICA PHILLIPS CHOSEN TO SING IN FESTIVAL CHORUS

SUTTON. Jessica L. Phillips, a sophomore at Worcester Academy, has been selected to sing in the Massachusetts Music Educators Association Central District Festival Chorus. Because of her exceptional performance, Jessica has also been recommended for the All-State Chorus.

Jessica is a member of Eta Kappa Alpha, the Academy's drama society, as well as the French and International Students Club. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Phillips of Sutton.

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By Pat O'Leary & Larry Ham

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ANSWERS: 1. Custard on Mars and mustard on cars. 2. A suitor's ties and a tutor's sighs. 3. Same doors and the dame soars. 4. Edible creditors and credible editors.

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CATS

A. There's no dealing with a cat who knows you're awake.

B. Of all God's creatures, there is only one that cannot be made the slave of the leash. That one is the cat. If man could be crossed with the cat, it would improve man, but deteriorate the cat.

C. We cats are loners. With one possible exception: We can be very social when it comes to food.

D. Cats are the crabgrass in the lawn of life.

___ Jim Davis, *Garfield* ___ Brad Solomon, writer
___ Charles Schulz, *Peanuts* ___ Mark Twain

A: Solomon. B: Twain. C: Davis. D: Schulz.

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MILLBURY WOMEN'S CANDLEPIN BOWLING LEAGUE RESULTS

TEAM STANDINGS

Team Standings	Won	Lost
Narcissus	56	40
Snapdragons	50	46
Ladyslippers	50	46
Tiger Lillies	48	48
Daffodils	44	52
Mums	40	56

HIGH TRIPLE

Pat Gaspar	356
Becky Rushton	318
Ann Kach	314

HIGH SINGLE

Pat Gaspar	131
Ann Kach	127
Hope Stockhaus	126

HIGH AVERAGE

Pat Gaspar	104.0
Becky Rushton	96.5
Kathy Marble	95.7

TOP TEN AVERAGES

Pat Gaspar	104.0
Becky Rushton	96.5
Kathy Marble	95.7
Gail Higginbottom	94.6
Hope Stockhaus	94.1
Ellen Bouvier	92.3
Ann Coons	91.4
Ann Kach	90.2
Alene Saxby	89.8
Marge McArdle	89.2

100 AND OVER SCORES

Once again, nine bowlers rolled "100 or over" Pat Gaspar, 114-123; Irma Healey, 106-107; Kathy Marble, 106-112; Hope Stockhaus, 126; Ellen Bouvier, 110; Aggie Boire, 103; Ann Coon, 102; Gail Higginbottom, 100; and Ann Murphy, 100.

SUTTON SENIOR NEWS

MENU

Friday, December 12: Veal Parmesan; Tuesday, December 16: Christmas Party (all filled up); Wednesday, December 17: Baked Fish with newburg sauce, etc.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

On Sunday, December 14th, from 2-4, the Birthday and Christmas party will be held at the Orchard Community Hall. The young people of the Congregational Church will put on the party. This party is not only for the people of the Orchard Apartments, but for anyone having a birthday in December. The people from Orchard Apartments are urged to get their neighbors to come to the Community Hall. Get them out of their apartments and enjoy this Holiday treat; it promises to be a wonderful time for all. Karen Maynard is in charge. It was she and her group who did such a wonderful job of delivering Thanksgiving meals to the home-bound on November 24. Come, and maybe you will have your picture taken.

SITE CHRISTMAS PARTY AND MEAL

On Tuesday, December 16, at noon, the meal site will put on their Christmas meal, and the Sutton Honor Society will be on hand to wait on everyone and to do their wonderful job as usual.

EXERCISE CLASS

Our Exercise Class is held every Monday, from 11-12. Sign up and have fun.

CRAFT CLASS

Helen Ordung conducts the craft classes on Mondays from 1-3.

OUTREACH WORKER AND CHORE PERSON

We now have a new outreach worker, Nancy Porter, who is in charge of outreach and will also be conducting the chore person assignments. She can be reached by calling 865-1602.

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL NEWS
By Grace Laflash

Mary Fuller and her seventh grade journeyed to New York City on a coach in which movies were provided for diversion.

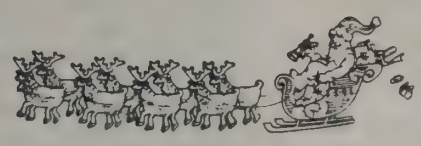
After a tour of the heart of the Big Apple, they proceeded to the ferry and Liberty Island. The Museum of the Statue of Liberty and the Museum of Immigration were visited. In the latter, the computer read-out listed Assumption School, Millbury, as one of the contributors to the restoration fund.

The multitudes no longer thronged to the Colossus since the warm days of Autumn were declining. Because of the decreased numbers, the group was able to ascend the stairs in the interior and climb into the crown.

After the departure from the city, a stop was made at McDonald's.

Sister Bernadette Lemoine's and Sister Louise Audet's fourth grade enjoyed two special programs. George D'Auteuil spoke about the importance of keeping our school, home, and environment clean by the right disposal of all rubbish, etc. He also mentioned that to be a success in any career, you must be happy in it.

The mother of one of the students discussed the ways of life and the customs of the American Indian. She displayed an authentic Sioux headdress.



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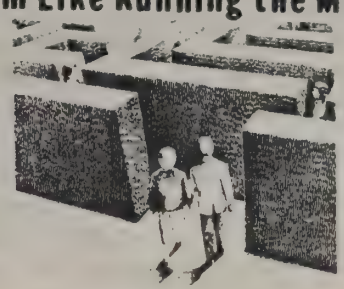
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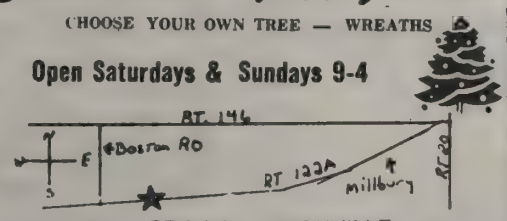

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Recipes

The following recipes, submitted by your neighbors, are traditional ethnic Christmas recipes prepared each year at this holiday time.

KURABIA
Armenian Christmas Cookie
Submitted by Mary Arakelian
Sutton

1 lb. breakstone sweet butter
or any brand (clarified overnight)
2 C Superfine sugar sifted
2 tsp almond extract
Almonds (whole and skinned)
2 tsp favorite whiskey
4 C sifted Gold Medal flour
(putting 1 cup aside)

Beat butter with beater until creamy and add sugar, almond extract. Add about 3 cups* of the flour gradually and knead gently. Dough should be very soft so as not to stick to your hand. Roll out gently into 3 inch lengths and shape as you wish. Place an almond nut on top. Bake in 300 degree oven for 5 minutes on top and for 5 minutes for bottom - be careful not to overdo. It will not be brown like cookies. Test by pressing your finger on one. If there is a dent, it is not quite done.

* Use the 4th cup of flour only if necessary. The dough should not be dry, so add the 4th cup with caution. It should be easy to roll.

TOURTIERE
(Meat Pie)
Traditional French Dish
Submitted by Janet Howard
Millbury

Lightly brown one medium onion in margarine or butter. Add 3 lbs. of ground pork and fry for 10 to 15 minutes. Cover and simmer for about 1 hour. Then, add 1/2 tsp. cloves and 1/2 tsp. of cinnamon. Stir and cook an additional 15 to 20 minutes (covered).

Boil and mash (with butter and milk) 4 or 5 medium potatoes. Add to pork, put in uncooked pie crust. Cover with another crust. Bake for 45 minutes at 350 degrees. Makes 2 nine inch pies.

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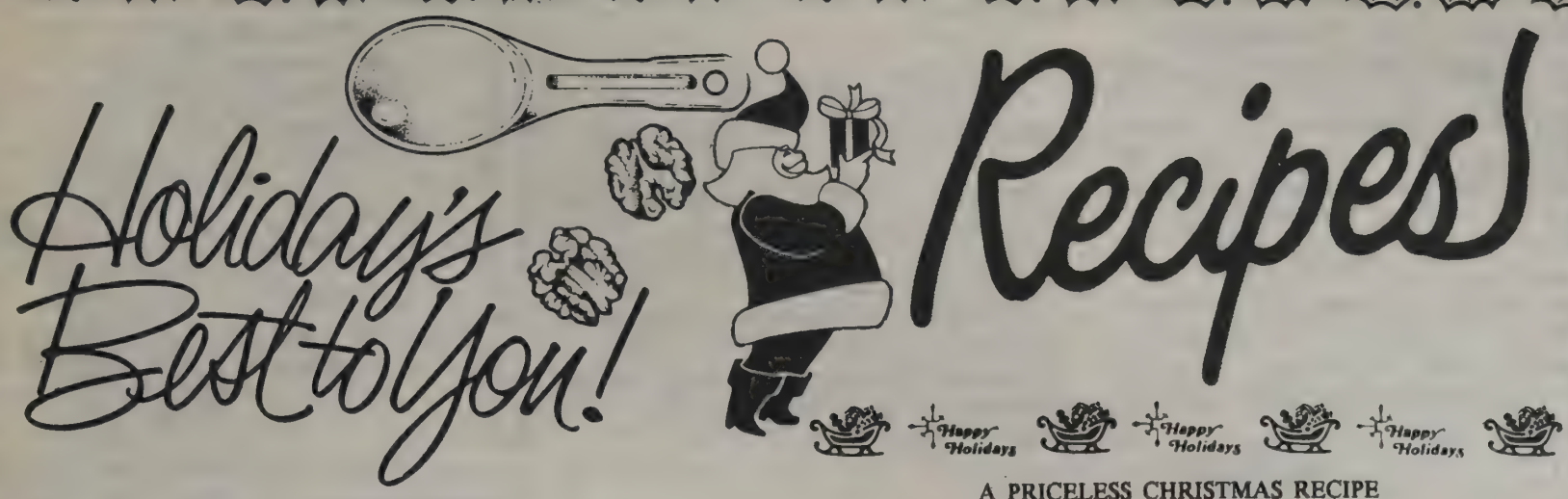

KNOT COOKIES
Traditional Italian Christmas Cookie
Submitted by Grace Laflash
Millbury

6 Cups of flour
1 Cup of sugar
9 eggs
1/2 tsp. salt
1 Cup Crisco
2 Tablespoons lemon extract
4 tsp. baking powder

Cream the Crisco, sugar and salt. Add eggs and flour, and knead the dough. Break off pieces and roll with hands into strips. Tie into a knot (makes a rounded cookie). Bake for 10 minutes at 350 degrees until light brown (do not overbake).

Combine 1 box of Confectioner's Sugar, water (add gradually until desired consistency) and food coloring (any color you wish). Dip each cookie into the glaze.

A PRICELESS CHRISTMAS RECIPE
Submitted by Karen Potter
Sutton

HOW TO COOK A HUSBAND

"A good many husbands are entirely spoiled by mismanagement in cooking, and so are not tender and good. Some women keep them too constantly in hot water; others freeze them; others put them in a stew; others keep them constantly in a pickle. It cannot be supposed that any husband will be good and tender if managed in this way, but they are truly delicious if properly treated.

"Don't keep him in the kettle by force,, as he will stay there himself if proper care is taken; if he should sputter and fizz, don't be anxious, some husbands do this. Add a little sugar, the variety that confectioners call 'kisses', but on no account add vinegar or pepper. A little spice improves him, but it must be used with judgement. Do not try him with something sharp to see if he is becoming tender. Stir him gently lest he lie too long in the kettle and become flat and tasteless. If you follow these directions, you will find him very digestible, agreeing nicely with you, and he will keep as long as you want to have him."

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REP. KOLLIOS PRAISES PROJECT TO DISTRIBUTE EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

MILLBURY. Representative Paul Kollios (D-Millbury) has announced that the door-to-door handout of the emergency telephone number for Millbury residents under the Worcester directory was most helpful and inspiring.

Rep. Kollios stated that the project was prepared and accomplished by the Millbury Fire Department and the Boy Scouts of Troop 108, and he offered his congratulations for a job well done.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

MILLBURY. Next week will be a busy one for Blood Pressure Clinics in Millbury. Because of the holidays, some of the regular dates have been changed. On Tuesday, December 16, a Clinic will be held at the Asa Waters Mansion, 123 Elm Street, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. On Wednesday, December 17, the District Nursing Society will host a clinic at Linden Apartments, Pearl Street, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

On Thursday, December 18, there will be a public clinic at Colonial Apartments, Colonial Drive, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. The same afternoon, residents of Centerview Apartments may attend a Clinic from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

SCHOOL MENUS

SUTTON SCHOOL MENUS
WEEK OF DECEMBER 15 - DECEMBER 19

MONDAY: Beef Baconburger, French Fries, Lettuce - Tomato, Blueberry Cake, and Milk

TUESDAY: Tuna or Egg Roll, French Fries, Corn, Chocolate Chip Cookie, and Milk

WEDNESDAY: Hamburger or Cheeseburger, French Fries, Lettuce - Tomato, Chocolate Cake with Frosting, and milk

THURSDAY: Roast Beef with gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Peas, Rolls, Jello with Topping, and Milk

FRIDAY: Pizza - Plain or Pepperoni, French Fries, Carrot Sticks, Peanut Butter Cookie, and milk

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MILLBURY HIGH MENUS
WEEK OF DECEMBER 15 - DECEMBER 19

MONDAY: Juice, Ravioli/Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Pudding

TUESDAY: Chickenburger on a Roll, Lettuce, French Fries, Jello/Topping

WEDNESDAY: Juice, Submarine Sandwich, Potato Chips, Fruit

THURSDAY: Beef and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Pan Roll/Butter, Cake

FRIDAY: Tuna Grinder, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Ice Cream

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WEEK OF DECEMBER 15 - DECEMBER 19

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TUESDAY: Hot Dog on a Roll, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Jello/Topping

WEDNESDAY: Juice, Submarine Sandwich, Potato Chips, Applesauce

THURSDAY: Oven Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Pan Roll/Butter, Cake

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SUTTON MIDDLE SCHOOL ANNOUNCES HONOR ROLL

The Sutton Middle School has announced the following 1st quarter Honor Roll:

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Kristen Levins
Jodi Page
Richard Person
Alissa Weaver

B HONORS

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Misty Campbell
Matthew Fox
Geoffrey Fox
Angela Gardner
Matthew Jonasch
Louis Labarge
Jena Murray
Angela Pignataro
Ann Robbins
Kathleen Snell
Stephanie Sokol
Jennifer Spring
Kenneth Stockhaus
Jessica Trask

GRADE 8
A HONORS

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Deborah Briggs
Robert Love
Mary Mahoney

B HONORS

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Christina Beshiri
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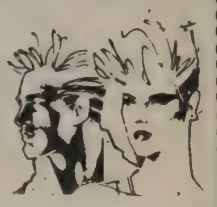

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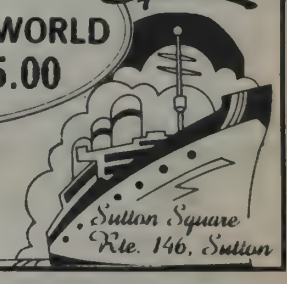

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business to conduct at their meetings that required their attention. He indicated that interviews held in the foyer area to verify the names of previous speakers had caused a disturbance. "These interviews disrupt what is going on and make it hard to concentrate." He then moved to New Business on the Agenda.

- A discussion ensued concerning a street opening on Glenn Road. There is a proposal by the petitioner to drain property on a lot on Glenn Road to the Town's right of way and connect with an existing catch basin. The petitioner has permission to enter a neighbor's land and correct a puddling problem existing at that point.

Adams indicated that he thought that allowing drainagae from private property to a town catch basin would be a departure from standard practice by the Town.

Ronald Larusso explained what his proposal would accomplish. He stated that the intent to drain water running through the middle of the lot was to allow the building of a single home in the center of the lot. The location of the house, near the center of the property, would be more appropriate.

Larusso stated that there would not be any more water running into the catch basin than there is at present if this was accomplished. "Draining the middle area of the lot and the area of the neighboring lot would dry up the existing area," he said.

The Board decided to request the Planning Board's input. They will make a decision next Tuesday.

- Adams then took notice of several people in attendance and asked if they had any concerns to be discussed.

- Lynn Stover, of Herricks Lane, rose to address the Board concerning a problem she is experiencing in getting to her home. Ms. Stover asked if anyone has the authority to prevent the Highway Department from maintaining Herricks Lane. She stated that she had called the Highway Department to ask for their assistance in making the road passable. She also told the Board that the Highway Department informed her that Earl Chase said the Town is not responsible for correcting the problem. Ms. Stover explained that Herricks Lane had been accepted as a public street by a town meeting vote on March 6, 1971, and had been salted, plowed, and maintained.

Chase noted that the Town does not own the whole road. Ben Miles is doing excavation work on a portion of the road. "He is responsible for work being done. Miles owns the whole road," said Chase.

Ms. Stover stated that she was planning to make a presentation to the Selectmen at next week's meeting. She went on to explain that even the Fire Department couldn't get to her new home because "the road is not passable." She also indicated that she had $500 worth of damage to her car when trying to move some of her things to her new home.

Cristo noted, "We should take care of this problem."

Adams expressed concern over the deed, boundaries, and description of the property. He suggested to Ms. Stover that it would be difficult to answer those concerns tonight. "The Highway Department has the authority to do the work."

Mrs. Grace Gasco, who also lives on Herricks Lane, explained to the Board that the road was accepted by the Town at a previous town meeting under Article 49. She stated that she and her husband owned land along Herricks Lane for 380 ft. down to the Millbury Youth Camp. She also told the Board that on three occasions, because of the condition of the road, she had difficulty transporting her husband to therapy.

Cristo suggested to Adams that the Board notify the Highway Department to proceed with work required to make the road passable. He expressed his concerns for safety and the possible use of the road for emergency vehicles.

On a 3-0 vote, the Board endorsed Cristo's suggestion.

Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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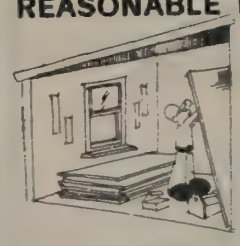
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HI GANG! It's your old pal back for another rap session. A lot of water spilled over the falls since we last met, and a lot of bull is emanating from Washington, also...I think the honeymoon is over for Mr. Reagan, it's going to be tough sledding form now on. Nancy! Stand by your man. He's going to need all the standbying he can get. You know, it's just possible that he didn't know a thing about the arms going to Iran!...Ha, Ha!...We'll all survive this episode...we've been through this sort of thing before. Ok now, on with other things of greater importance! PATIENCE IS A VIRTUE...standing in line at the check-out counter at the market with an elderly person in front of you trying to empty out her car, one item at a time. Good Grief! I offered to help her speed things up, to which she replied, "Get off my back!" Sorry Grandma...ON THE BINGO CIRCUIT...we hear that Bingo is on its way out at St. Mark's Church in Sutton sometime this month. There seems to be a lack of players and workers at the Bingo games so the Finance Committee thought it best to cancel Bingo altogether. We have a funny feeling that eventually all Bingo will be getting the old heave-ho from all the churches. Just a feeling...AUNT FLO says that baked chicken will be super tender if you marinate it in buttermilk, cream or milk for several hours before cooking...Flo! Shuddup!..."Please don't talk about me when I'm gone" were the final words of that song she sang. The poor soul dropped dead on a stage somewhere in Baltimore after singing that song. Gee! You never know! DID YOU KNOW that most of us would get along well if we used the advice we give others? LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH! We're hearing a lot about that sentiment these days, especially this time of the year. God, how we're all yearning for Peace on Earth, but as long as there is jealousy, greed, and hatred, peace will never be a reality. It really is up to us, isn't it, to do something about it. Let's take the first step. Let us make peace with ourselves and our God, and everything else will fall into place. ON THE COMPUTER SIDE OF THINGS...they now have what they call a "Certificate Maker" whereby one can print out any form of a certificate, be it a comical one, graduation, first place, first prize, Loud-Mouth, party-pooper, what have you. We have put together a special certificate of Birthday Congrats for the Millbury Council on Aging. It's not a big thing, but something we believe the elderly will enjoy! FRIENDS...how do you like this format for the column? Would you rather this type, or the old paragraph format. Let us know, after all we aim to please!...

BELATED SYMPATHIES to all our friends of St. Anne's Parish in Manchaug on the passing of their Pastor, Father O'Toole. Our sympathies also extended to his family. We grieve with them but we take solace in knowing that Father O'Toole has gone to see his Father, the Father of all. Requiescat in Pace!

LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH and let it start with the toy manufacturers!

Imagine giving a kid a Rambo-type machine gun and hand grenade for Christmas. The psychologists are saying that it isn't the type of item given the kid, it's how they are going to use them. Well, they certainly aren't going to sweep the floors with the machine guns and play touch football with the grenades. Pow, Pow! You're dead! How about those Ninja uniforms, all black, hood and all, that some kids like. What an invitation for some weirdo to wear these black outfits and hold someone up—from what we read, it's happening now.

MILLBURY HAS A YEAR ROUND Christmas Tree! Yupp! We see that the smokestack at the refuse station has strobe lights flashing on left and right. Joy to the world!

THE SECRET IS OUT...Pope Paul has said to a group of school children in Australia that besides enjoying classical music he enjoys Rock! Holy Father, you don't mean that, do you? Pax Vobiscum.

FLASH! BULLETIN!...We found out from impeccable sources that all items advertised on the Home Shopping Network and Television Auction Channel are discontinued items from other stores and could not be sold in ordinary outlets. Tell that to the Homeshopping Network. They're making a bundle on the discontinued items. ANOTHER FLASH! We hear that the Amen Channel, TBN, will soon be replaced by the NESN Channel and the Good News Channel will be replaced by Wrestling and the Red Sox. Have we got our priorities screwed up. But give the people what they want!

FISH AND CHIPS...Never mind the chips, it is the fish that is now considered good for you, according to those who know. We were always

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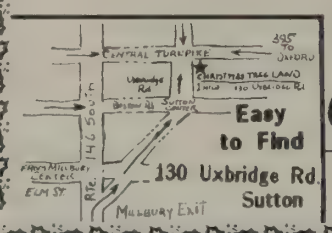

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told that fish is considered brain food. We'll certainly have a lot of intellectuals walking around now.

MEANING NO DISRESPECT...but we always thought the hymn was "bringing in the Sheep", it isn't. It's "Bringing in the Sheaves".

CABLE IS A 'COMIN...but not for Manchaug, yet! We hear that by next spring Sutton will have had the cable system set up. But from what route they will come will tell if Manchaug will eventually get it. Stand up Manchaug, let them know you want it! Let them come through Manchaug and then into Sutton center.

HOW ABOUT THAT – We heard this true story recently about a son who was criticizing (in a loving way) his mother for coming in late one night at around 10 p.m. It seems that the mother was on a trip with the Millbury Senior Citizens to LaSallette Shrine in Attleboro. The son mentioned to his Mom that he felt like a father waiting for his daughter to come home. The mother, after listening to her son, made this comment: "Son, today I did the washing, vacuuming, hung the drapes and prepared your dinner for this evening while I was out...The Good Lord has given me fairly good health, good friends and the opportunity to go out. For that I am thankful!...I may be legally blind, 82 years of age, but I'm not out of the ballgame yet. When my eyes fail, my legs stop moving, then, and not until then, I will call it quits...! (That's MY Mom. I wouldn't have her any other way.)

'Tis getting late now. It's cold out there. PeeWee and the Cat are looking at me as if to say, "Please don't throw us out in the cold!" No way little creatures. Down the cellar with the cat - PeeWee, on the couch with you! And to our friends out there, we wish you all God's Blessings for a Happy, Meaningful Holiday Season. May the day come where we all can hold hands and say, "Peace at last, thank God, Peace at Last!" God Bless! Shalom! Joyeux Noel! Bonne et Heureuse Annee! Le Paradis a la fin de vos Jours!

CHARLES F. MINNEY POST CHRISTMAS PARTY

MILLBURY. The Charles F. Minney Post children's Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 21st.

Children with last names from A through K are asked to attend the 10:00 a.m. party.

Children with last names from L through Z are asked to attend the 2:00 p.m. party.

Only those children whose names have been submitted by Post members will be able to attend.

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a demanding nation that expects a direct response by all of its people to help to continue strengthening America in spirit and in mind for all generations to come. A strong nation means greater opportunity and freedom for the children growing in our nation today. Strengthening our nation will ensure brighter, healthier children to carry on the tradition of America as a country looked upon for the freedom it allows.

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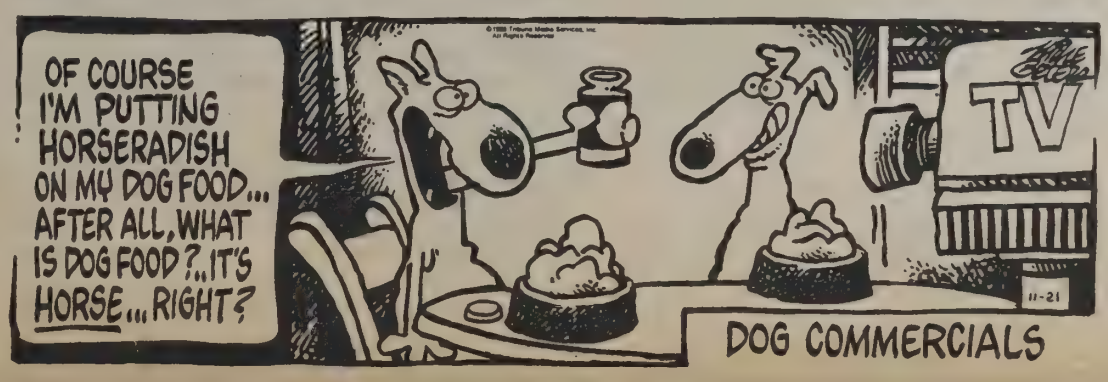

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AROUN' THE TOWN AND GOLDEN AGERS UPDATE

By Lillian C. Sheehan

"PERFECT ENDING"

What a glorious day, and what a perfectly superb program to close the year, so to speak, at the December 1st meeting of the Millbury Woman's Club! Several important pieces of business were taken care of, and a delicious lunch was served before the Greendale Retired Men's Club Chorus entertained with a delightful program of music, featuring two selections by their pianist as well as solos and songs from the entire chorus. As Pat Taraskiewicz, president, said, "It was a lovely way to close the meeting and wish everyone 'Happy Holidays'". Since there is no meeting in January, we will meet again in February.

COLONIAL APARTMENTS

Mustn't let November go by without wishing a group at Colonial Apartments "Many Happy Returns" of their days -- Rose Carrignant, Mildred Vallee, Florence St. John, Ruth Molloy, Alma Ethier, Lillian Ellis, and Frannie Crook! Coming up for congratulations in December are Lucille Dunn, Emma Crepeau, Gertrude Collette, and Aurelie Burbank. Incidentally, Aurelie is President of the Association at Colonial Apartments. We wish you all "Good health" and "Happy days" this coming year!

CENTERVIEW APARTMENTS

Helme Salois and her committee, Alice Hassett, Ida L. Taylor, Ida M. Taylor, and Phebe Kilmer, had the hall nicely set up with "harvest colors" accentuated in the tablecloths and napkins. This was in preparation for the dinner to be served to the tenants by the Lions Club. What a delectable dinner it was! Would that there was much more time. Each man that worked on that committee really deserves an individual "Thank You", but we hope that you will accept these words of praise as if they were sent to each one of you personally! From the crisp salad, spaghetti and meatballs, to dessert and beverage we heard only compliments which were well deserved, and for this fine dinner, "Thank You" members of the Lions Club! To top off the evening, Butch and Maeve of the Parting Glass Pub entertained, and a feeling of camaraderie prevailed.

Those enjoying a December birthday are Gertrude Brown, Rita Baker, and Anna Howe. Happy Birthday to you all and many more healthy ones.

MILLBURY GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Please note! There will not be any meetings of the Millbury Golden Age Club on December 16th, December 23rd, or December 30th! December 10th: Coach-Lite Theater". December 16th: Annual Christmas Party, VFW Hall, 6:00 p.m.

In other Golden Age Club news: your good wishes will be welcome to Valmore Trottier who has recently come home from St. Vincent's Hospital.

And a very Happy Birthday to Helen O'Brien who is celebrating her 86th birthday. Many Happy Returns to the lovely lady whom the kiddies referred to as the "pie lady" when she made all those delicious tarts and baked goods!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALICE COBB

Speaking of birthdays - Alice Cobb, affectionately known to her friends as "Ma", was born in Sheffield, England, on November 16, 1893. She came to Millbury when she was 28 years old and lived in what is known as "Buck's Village". Mrs. Cobb, for all her 93 years, is a very active lady and goes on all the trips that the folks at Linden apartments organize (this has been her home for 13 years) and a great many trips that Centerview Tenants take, as well as attending the Whist parties and Bingo games. Congratulations and many Happy Returns.

DEADLINE FOR ALL SUBMISSIONS TO THE MILLBURY-SUTTON CHRONICLE IS 12:00 NOON ON SATURDAY OF THE WEEK PRIOR TO PUBLICATION.

What's the Difference?

By Pat O'Leary & Larry Ham

HOW TO PLAY: The answers to the two clues rhyme and the beginning consonant sounds are switched. For example: What's the difference between a neckwear fastener and a metal pan for baked desserts? One is a TIE PIN and the other is a PIE TIN. Sound counts, not spelling.

1. Small children in a tavern and cooking vessels in a bathing basin?
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   ____ ____ ____ ____ in a ____ ____ ____
2. Lawrence's inkling and Harold's mid-day meal?
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3. Transporting indoor flora and scheming trousers?
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4. A certain explanation and "Caribbean liquor" time of year?
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ANSWERS: 1. Tots in a pub and pots in a tub. 2. Larry's lunch and Harry's lunch. 3. Potting plants and plotting pants. 4. Some reason and rum season.

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that a transfer station could be financed, constructed, and operated for less money per year than curbside pick-up."

Dwinell explained that the Committee felt that the revenues generated from the operation of the RESCO Transfer Station will be approximately $150,000 this year, $600,000 when the Waste Recovery Facility begins operation in January 1988, and one million dollars a year when the facility is running at full capacity. In addition he stated that the revenues should be shared by everyone in Millbury: residents, businesses, and industry. According to Dwinell, only a Transfer station would afford this because curbside pick-up would exclude much of the waste generated by business and industry, forcing businesses and industry in town to pay for disposal themselves. "We felt that it was only fair that everyone in Town benefit from the revenues that would be generated by the operation of RESCO," he said.

A significant factor in their decision was cost. "If you construct a transfer station," Dwinell noted, "you know pretty much what your costs will be for the next twenty years; with curbside pick-up, you never really know because contracts have to be re-bid every three years." He explained that through their research, they have learned that in West Boylston, where they have contracted for limited curbside pick-up for a population of 6,000, about half of Millbury's population, the cost for the first year will be $88,500, escalating for five years up to $102,500. There are stipulations in the West Boylston contract to allow for additional compensation should other contingencies arise which could actually add to the cost per year. Dwinell also mentioned that in Grafton, last year's bid for limited curbside was $85,000; this year it's $185,000, and there was only one bidder.

A factor in the cost was the type of refuse that would be allowed under curbside pick-up. The West Boylston contract stipulates what type of refuse will be collected, and a substantial list of what will not be collected. There is also a six bag limit per household, per week, of fifty pounds or less. "White goods," those articles such as refrigerators, stoves, etc., would be picked-up at an additional fee of $15.00. According to Dwinell, "If you have a transfer station, the residents would have a way of disposing of their white goods without having to hire someone to do it and the Town could recycle the 'white goods' and sell them, thereby saving the town some money."

Dwinell further explained that the transfer station would also allow the Town to address recycling at a later date, should this be something that the community wants to consider. "With the transfer station in place, the Town would already have a site. Already, there is legislation in Boston dealing with recycling and making money available to towns who try it. It may not go through this session," he said," but it may at a later date and Millbury would have a facility that might allow them to qualify."

Central to the cost concern is the contract which RESCO has with Millbury. Dwinell stated that under the terms of the agreement, "Millbury will be allowed to haul 11,316 tons of refuse a year for no cost. If we go over that, the town will be assessed so much per ton. This is why its extremely important that we can monitor all trucks sent to RESCO on a weekly basis. If refuse goes through the transfer station, we can be sure that we won't exceed the limit. If we are going over, the Town might want industry to process their own or charge them the cost of dumping it." Dwinell added that the Committee felt that the Town should include residential, business and industry at least up to the point where it is not going to cost the Town.

"The fact that we're not going to be charged (for dumping) is a big factor," he said. "Once the surrounding Towns start hauling trash to Signal Resco, their budgets will be a half million to three-quarters of a million dollars a year. All we're going to have to bear is the cost of processing and transferring it."

The Committee feels that the problem of solid waste disposal is a serious one. The Millbury landfill was given eighteen months back in 1984 which means that it is close to the time when it must be closed. Construction of a transfer station will take approximately fourteen months from bid to completion. Dwinell hopes that the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering (D.E.Q.E.) won't close the landfill until the transfer station is completed.

Dwinell expressed the concerns of the Committee with regard to the transfer station's appeal to the voters. "The big hang-up for some people is the initial outlay for construction and equipment, but when they analyze and project it over as little as a ten year period, I think they'll see as we have, that the Town won't be spending much more than we are now with just the landfill."

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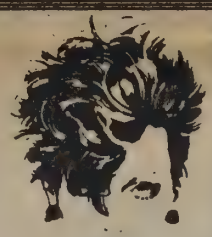
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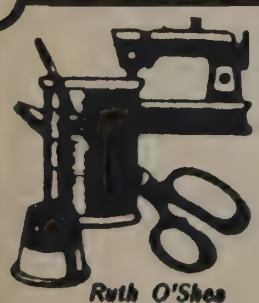
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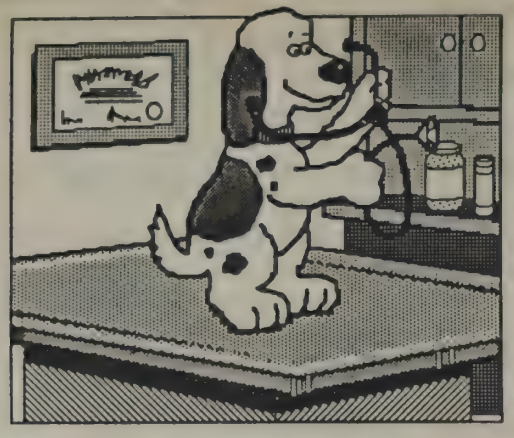

ASK YOUR VET

By Ann Huntington, D.V.M.

DEAR DR. HUNTINGTON: We have a German shepherd (7 years old). Each year in the spring she stops eating for about 10 days. She drinks a lot of water. Her stool becomes very soft. This year she went into this when she stopped being in heat. She has never been mated. Your opinion is needed. -- H.P., Chicago.

DEAR H.P. If this, as you indicate, occurs on a regular basis, my first concern is it possibly is related to changes in the hormonal system. Older females that never have been bred do have a fairly high incidence of uterine infection, and one symptom is loss of appetite and excessive thirst. I am not positive this is what has been happening with her, but I strongly would urge you have her spayed.

Another possibility is whether any pesticides or cleaning products are used at that time of year, each year. Spraying orchards in the area, or a thorough spring cleaning would create more fumes in the air. Each of these might set off a reaction in the dog's system that would bring about the symptoms you described.

My first suggestion is, if it currently is happening, to have the dog thoroughly examined. This should include a white blood cell count to look for signs of infection and careful evaluation of the condition of her abdomen to look for uterine infections. Unless you have a strong reason not to do it, I would suggest the dog be spayed. If the problem persists beyond this year, even though you had her spayed, I think it could be associated with something environmental. An additional environmental cause could be that during the first few days or weeks on heartworm preventive, some dogs lose their appetite and drink more water. This reaction soon ceases, however.

DEAR DR. HUNTINGTON: My dog has a problem that I think would be of general interest to your readers.

I think my dog is playing mental games with me. I've gone back to work, and she's been behaving very strangely. She doesn't get all excited when seeing people like she used to, and she even limps off and on. My neighbor said his dog pulled the same lame trick, but his parents assured him that whenever he left the house the dog was fine. He comes back from work and the limp returns. Can dogs lay guilt trips on their owners? -- Betsy S., Glenview, Ill.

DEAR BETSY: There is no question it could be an emotional or behavioral situation, but this would not be my first assumption. Consequently, I strongly recommend you have your dog thoroughly examined by your vet.

It probably is more likely she is not getting up and jumping around and she limps because she's stiff and uncomfortable. I suspect some underlying physical reason is causing this behavior. One should not assume, because a dog has a limping problem or is lethargic, that this is a behavioral problem. However, it could be. After the dog is checked thoroughly and is found sound, make sure she gets plenty of attention when you're home -- take her for a walk, play ball with her at least twice a day. That should alleviate any behavioral problem.

DEAR DR. HUNTINGTON: Our three neutered, declawed male cats, age 3, seem to have a hygiene problem. Two of the three are littermates, named Cy and Ty. They look like Burmese, but don't seem to act like normal cats. Ty and Cy don't clean themselves so they have dander falling off and have a definite odor problem. Cy is particularly remiss in this attempt to stay clean. He has a very strong odor, which gets even worse when petted. When the smell gets particularly strong, Ky-Ky, a small tabby, grabs Cy and licks him from nose to tail. Is their behavior a symptom? Please let us know if they are half cat, half skunk, or what. -- Nora T. Streamwood, Ill.

DEAR NORA: As a rule, the instinct of cats to keep themselves clean is quite strong. However, if there is inbreeding or they came from a line of inbred cats, it is possible some of those instincts might be lost. In any case, that is unusual behavior, especially for two cats in the same household.

I think I've seen cats I thought were just dirty individuals. Among their symptoms were no normal preening behavior and no use of litter pans -- just squatting wherever they happened to be.

I suggest Cy and Ty be thoroughly examined by a vet to determine whether they have an underlying skin problem causing the odor and the flaking. This checkup can rule out a cause of these symptoms other than merely sanitary neglect. If it is found the cats are physically normal, then, if your cats will tolerate it, I would suggest using a brush on them daily and, on giving them a bath weekly using an anti-seborrheic shampoo. While many cats loathe baths, they eventually get used to them and that may be all that's needed to keep your cats sweet-smelling.

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Jude Cristo stated that before the meeting came to a close the Advisory Committee should be aware of the Finance Committee's specific requests. "What other figures are needed and what information are they to gather?"

Town Treasurer, David Cofske, stated "If the Town accumulates all this cash from Signal RESCO we won't be getting much back from the State anymore." He suggested that the town not bond but pay cash. "What do we want? Get firm figures, go out to bid, and find out what the cost will be. If we do it ourselves (curbside) it will mean the cost of three trucks, spares will be needed, union employees and benefits will escalate the curbside pick-up, way up. We have got to go out of here knowing what we are going to do," said Cofske.

Richard Phelan asked if it would be possible to endorse the concept of a transfer station tonight.

The representative of the Capital Budget Committee stated that the general opinion of his committee seemed to be in favor of a transfer station, although a poll had not been taken.

Bleau stated that the Committee wants further discussion. "We need more information and need to decide what the issues are. We are not ready for a vote. We are split at this point, I guess."

Dwinell replied, "Notify us when you have decided. We can begin working on the Article for the Town Meeting and educate the people concerning our proposals.

Bleau stated, "There are underlying factors in the D.E.Q.E. regulations."

Dwinell replied, "No doubt about it. I will leave you the D.E.Q.E. regulations."

Richard Phelan stated that he had done some research on curbside pickup. He indicated that he originally was against the transfer station concept but after researching West Boylston's experience, he now is in favor.

Phelan pressed the Finance Chairman for a decision on when they would decide as a Committee.

Bleau replied that the Committee would meet and discuss the issue and make a decision in two weeks.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

STUDY SAYS PROPERTY TAX UNFAIR TO POOR

UXBRIDGE. Lower-income families have a higher property tax burden, according to a new study released today by the Massachusetts Special Commission on Tax Reform.

Households with an income below $5,000 have an average property tax burden of 10.1% of income, but this declines to 1.6% for those making more than $75,000 says Dr. Andrew Reschovsky, the paper's author.

"Although Proposition 2 1/2 has substantially lowered overall rates, the property tax is still clearly unfair in its regressivity," said Rep. Richard T. Moore (D-Uxbridge), a member and former chairman of the Commission.

Two thirds of Massachusetts' tenants take advantage of the rent deduction, which allows them to deduct half of their rent before paying taxes. The study found that while the rent deduction does nothing to reduce the burdens of poor households, it results in a 15 to 20 percent reduction in tax burdens for those tenants with incomes between $15,000 and $75,000.

The study, entitled Who Pays Massachusetts Taxes: the Residential Property Tax, also examines the property taxes paid by homeowners and the elderly. The tax is regressive for homeowners, declining from 19% of income to 4% between the poorest and richest income classes.

The elderly face average burdens nearly twice as high as those of the non-elderly, largely because the elderly own more homes. "Several property tax relief exemptions for the elderly exist in Massachusetts, but less than a third of those eligible take advantage of them," said Moore.

The Commission, established in 1983, is conducting a wide-ranging study of the Massachusetts tax system. Members include legislators and representatives of a broad spectrum of interest groups. Reports, issued periodically, have in the past dealt with tax caps, the income tax, and other topics.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS TO MEET

WORCESTER. The monthly meeting of the Compassionate Friends will be held from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 16, at the First Baptist Church, 111 Park Ave., Worcester.

The Compassionate Friends is a self-help organization offering friendship, understanding and support to bereaved parents. This month's meeting will be an informal discussion. Newcomers are welcome. For more information, contact Ed or Linda Casey at 839-6390.

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10 Social group
15 Below deck
19 Word with class or chair
20 Blemishes
21 Ski resort
22 Actress Miles
23 First part of quotation
27 Incompetent governor?
28 Like some potatoes
29 With a plomb
30 Part of B.S.A.
31 Assiduous care
32 Scraps
33 Overseas communications
36 Maverick catcher
37 Jason's ship
38 Moines or Plaines
41 Immigrant
42 Origin
43 Author of quotation
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49 Daughter of Cadmus
50 Singer Ross
51 Willow
53 Excavated, as ore
54 British coin
56 Canadian Indian
57 Composer Kahn
58 Attar
59 Kind of code
60 "— to Watch Over Me"
64 Place
65 Component
66 Truck driver
67 Harasses
70 Electrical measures
72 Ranks tournament competitors
73 Basking product
74 Landed
75 Type measures
76 Grown-up acorns
77 Evaluate
78 Formal garden
81 Percussion instruments
83 Yukon river
84 Fast plane, for short
85 Cosmetic plant
86 Soil deposit
87 Diverge
88 Pal
89 Clara or Maria
90 "— we forget"
91 Belfast's county
94 Tropical herb genus
95 Perceptive
99 Second part of quotation
102 Stimulating flavor
103 Actress Patricia's family
104 Silas —, Revolutionary diplomat
105 Columnist Bombeck
106 University offering
107 End of quotation
108 Dressmaker
109 Crystal gazer

DOWN

1 Leveler
2 Small monkey
3 Exclamations of disgust
4 Rover's bundle, Down Under
5 Tali
6 Procrastinator's favorite word
7 Annealing oven
8 Actress Le Gallienne
9 Refuse to move
10 Card game
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12 WW I plane
13 — Aviv
14 Blow up
15 Affirms
16 Vice President Morton
17 City on the Oka
18 Cautious
24 Creative force
25 Hibernian
26 Radon
31 City SE of Milan
32 Mandate
33 Philippine naval base
34 Straightens
35 Buffaloes
36 Vine
37 1958 Pulitzer prize author
38 Mend
39 Thrall
40 Discard
42 Bit's partner
43 Bay window
44 Tumults
46 Coloration
50 Sand hills, at Brighton
51 Avifauna
52 Administrative center
53 Participates in a Philadelphia parade
55 Spanish monetary unit
56 "...not one — for tribute"
57 Impels
59 Throb
60 Quests
61 Canada's capital
62 In better order
63 Borgnine
66 Angels and Devils
67 Chats
68 Troubles
69 Formal assembly
70 Poisonous fluid
71 Formerly
72 "March King"
77 Turtles and crocodiles
79 Indian term of respect
80 Corundum
81 Fargo, of songdom
82 Delays
83 Dry wind from Morocco
86 Woolly
87 "Mile-High" city
88 Rugged rock formations
89 Valuable fur
90 Sierra —
91 Dog star
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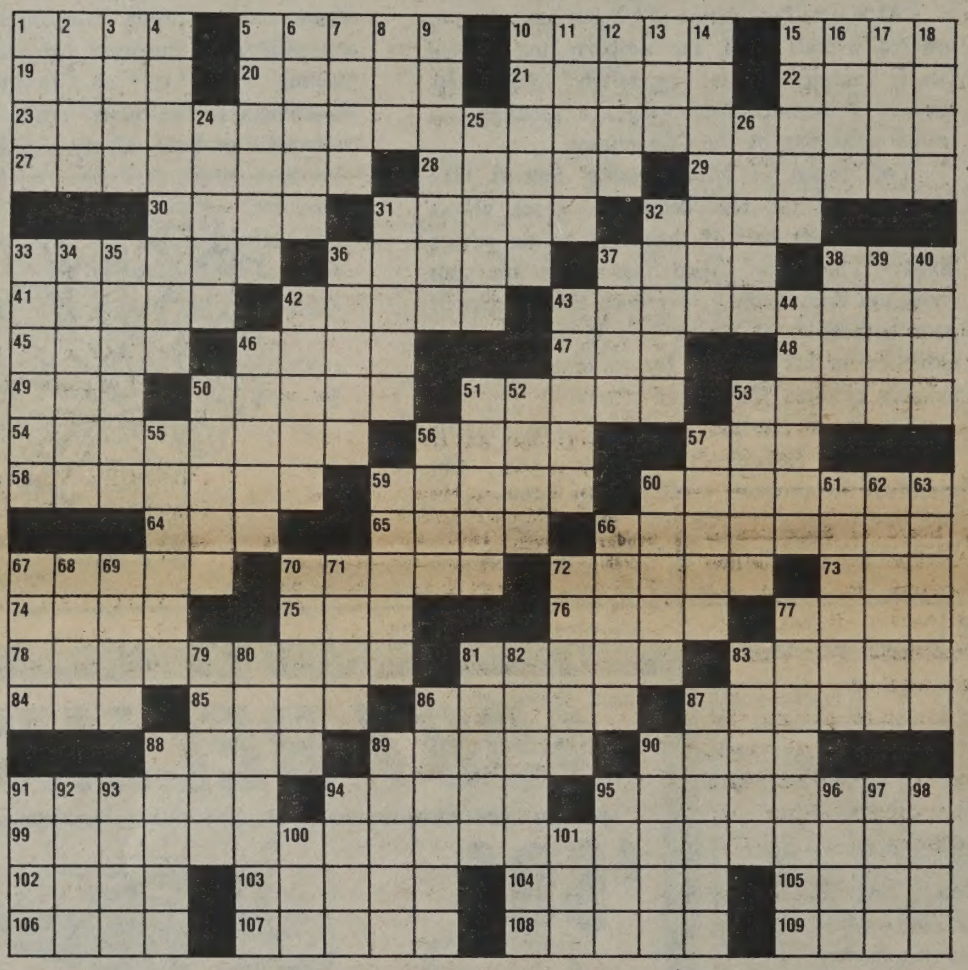

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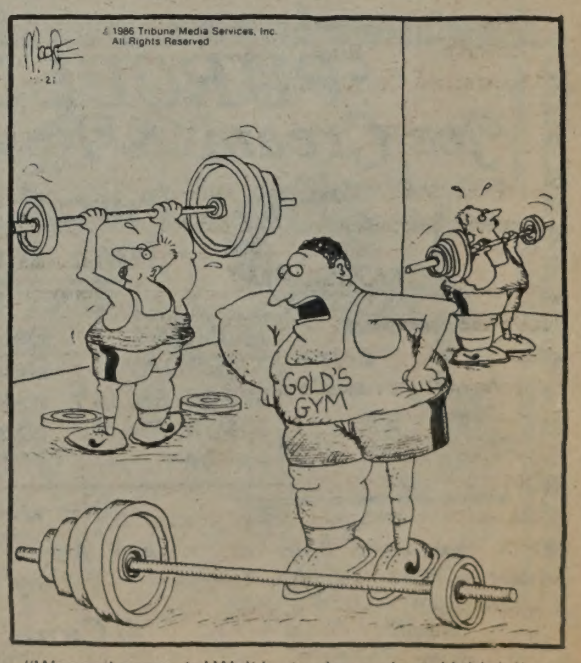

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

MILLBURY–Millbury Council on Aging Christmas Party at Maironis Park from 5 to 10 p.m.

WORCESTER–"Sing it Yourself Messiah" at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit at Assumption College in Worcester. Bernard Turgeon of Millbury will be one of the featured soloists.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

MILLBURY–Blood Pressure Clinic at the Asa Waters Mansion, 123 Elm Street, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

MILLBURY–Blood Pressure Clinic at Linden Apartments, Pearl St., 1:00-2:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

MILLBURY–Blood Pressure Clinic at Colonial Apartments, Colonial Drive, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

MILLBURY–Blood Pressure Clinic at Centerview Apartments (residents only), 1:00-2:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

SUTTON–Sutton Lions Club annual Christmas party for the youngsters of Sutton at the Sutton First Congregational Church from 1:30 to 4:00. Petting Zoo, refreshments, prizes for all the children. Santa Claus will be arriving by helicopter.

MILLBURY–Parks and Recreation Department sponsoring "Christmas on the Common". Santa Claus will be at the common from 10:00 to 2:00.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

MILLBURY–Millbury V.F.W. will be hosting two children's Christmas Parties. All children with last names from A thru K are invited to attend the 10:00 party, and all children with last names from L thru Z are invited to attend the 2:00 party.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

MERRY CHRISTMAS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

MILLBURY–Charles F. Minney Post 3329 New Year's Eve Party. Tickets are $10.00 per person and may be purchased from any one of the officers.

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Peg Alex received a medallion from the Blackstone Heritage Commission for being the oldest Millbury resident who walked on the Blackstone Heritage walk on October 3 in Northbridge. Here, Peg is surrounded by her co-walkers, all residents of Millbury: Lucille Lamontagne, Peg Alex, Mary Briddon, Irene St. George, Marie D'Auteuil, Ethel Markunas, Virginia Ribb, and Helen Mankevitch.

The Junior and Senior Choirs of the First Congregational Church held a Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 7th. As part of the concert, the Junior Choir also presented a pageant.

Pictured are Judith Bunnewith and Ann Campbell, from the District Nurses, taking blood pressures at the Senior Center.

Doris Murray, Robert Murray, Alma Christie, and Site Manager Debbie Auger, prepare meals to go out to the home bound elderly of Millbury.

Our Senior Center Craft store is open daily during regular Senior Center Hours. Pictured here are Sophie Marquis and Helen Juneau.

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